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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND
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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

**RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs
Docket No. 2015-3-E**

Dear Mrs. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC please find the following Direct Testimony:

1. David C. Culp
2. T. Preston Gillespie, Jr. – Public Version with Confidential Exhibit 3 redacted
3. Kim H. Smith
4. Swati V. Daji
5. Joseph A. Miller, Jr.
6. Emily O. Felt

Mr. Gillespie's Confidential Exhibit 3 is being sent via overnight delivery to your office for filing under seal. The exhibit contains confidential, proprietary, and sensitive outage information that, if disclosed, could negatively impact DEC's ability to safely and reliably provide effective service to its customers. Pursuant to Order No. 2005-226, DEC requests that Mr. Gillespie's Confidential Exhibit 3 be treated and maintained as confidential. We respectfully request that the Commission grant the request for confidential treatment pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs. 103-804(S)(2) and under the Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-10 *et seq.* Mr. Gillespie's testimony, with Confidential Exhibit 3, is being provided to the Office of Regulatory

Staff and those parties who signed a confidentiality agreement in the above referenced proceeding.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather Shirley Smith".

Heather Shirley Smith
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Enclosures

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